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many people nationally saying we are going to have a national packer reporting bill, it is eminent, it is going to happen, it is as sure as anything, which you know that is never 100 percent.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But do...?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: My point is that there will be national legislation, and I didn't want to have a system set up in Nebraska, spending taxpayer money, and then have it taken over by a national system.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do we know what will be in that federal bill?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, I do not know exactly what will be in the federal bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do we know whether that federal bill will contain a preemption provision that will say it automatically wipes out any state legislation on the subject?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: We don't know that, but that's my understanding that it will...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...supersede state law.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And do you know if Nebraska's delegation is in favor of that, without knowing what is in that...going to be in that law?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, I do not know Nebraska's delegation's position completely. I would assume that it would be favorable to Nebraska, though.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If...if that federal law would have less in the way of reporting than is required under LB 835, do you think it would be in the best interest of Nebraskans?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That could be subjective, Senator Chambers. Most of us know that markets are not just state, they're